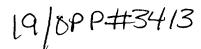


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Voluntary Purchasing Group, Inc. Attention: Matthew Vickers P.O. Box 460 Bonham, TX 75418

Dear Mr. Vickers:

The purpose of this letter is to request the voluntary cancellation of your registration for the Ferti-Lome Citrus and Ornamental Spray product (7401-113) containing ethion. The Agency believes that it is important to cancel all non-commercial uses of ethion to eliminate the potential risks associated with residential exposure to the chemical.

Voluntary cancellation notices should be addressed to Tina Levine, Chief, Insecticide-Rodenticide Branch, Registration Division (7504C), Office of Pesticide Programs, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20460. A courtesy copy should also be sent to Mark Hartman, Reregistration Branch II, Special Review and Reregistration Division (7508W) at the above address.

We request that all voluntary cancellations be submitted to the Agency by June 30, 1998. Standard existing stocks provisions will be applied for this product. All companies with similar ethion registrations will be asked to submit cancellations per this schedule. If you have any further questions or comments please contact Mark Hartman at (703) 308-0734.

Sincerely,

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Director

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